## **Erie County Opiate Epidemic Task Force**

## **Work Group Monthly Report**

Work Group Name: Provider Education and Policy Reform.

Work Group Leader: Dr Gale Burstein.

Work Group Chair: Dr Gale Burstein and Dr Paul Updike.

Buprenorphine training:

September 9, 2017: 17 community provider participants

September 13, 2017: 44 ED provider participants

SBIRT

9/12/17: informational training: 53 participants. Hosted by Erie County Medical Society and

**ECDOH** 

10/14/17: full 4 hour SBIRT training. Registration in process

ED buprenorphine induction project: collaborating with UB|MD ED providers to pilot. Collaborating with UB|MD ED to develop proposal to submit to Oishei Foundation

Dentist training: Collaborating with Erie County Dental Society and UB School of Dental Medicine to host opioid addiction prevention and pain management prescribing practices for community dentist. Working with Northeast & Caribbean Addiction Technology Transfer Center (NeC-ATTC) to develop training. Waiting for Erie County Dental Society to provide information on desired training format and time.

Addictions Hotline: collaborating with Erie County Dept of Mental Health and NeC-ATTC to provide training to hotline staff on opioid addiction and referral to MAT.

Opioid addiction/OD prevention PSAs: Collaboration with DGI Video and Daemen College. Filming completed. PSAs in Regal movie theaters

Support needed? Continue to communicate with, reevaluate and support all the Task Force workgroup activities and efforts. Recruit and support Buprenorphine Certification Providers. Assist with mentoring Substance Abuse Disorder treatment Providers and Primary Care Providers.